

State of Wisconsin



2025 Assembly Bill 294

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2025 WISCONSIN ACT

AN ACT to amend 15.405 (7g) of the statutes; relating to: membership on the Board of Nursing.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 15.405 (7g) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.405 (7g) BOARD OF NURSING. There is created a board of nursing in the department of safety and professional services. The board of nursing shall consist of the following members appointed for staggered 4-year terms: ~~5~~ 3 currently licensed registered nurses under ch. 441; one currently licensed practical nurse under ch. 441; one currently certified advanced practice nurse prescriber under ch. 441; one nurse educator; one member who is either a licensed registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse under ch. 441; and 2 public members. Each registered nurse member shall have graduated from a program in professional nursing and each practical nurse member shall have graduated from a program in practical nursing accredited by the state in which the program was conducted.

SECTION 1m. 15.405 (7g) of the statutes, as affected by 2025 Wisconsin Act (this act), is amended to read:

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the following members appointed for staggered 4-year terms: 3 currently licensed registered nurses under ch. 441; one currently licensed practical nurse under ch. 441; one currently ~~certified~~ licensed advanced practice registered nurse ~~prescriber~~ under ch. 441; one nurse educator; one member who is either a licensed registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse under ch. 441; and 2 public members. Each registered nurse member shall have graduated from a program in professional nursing and each practical nurse member shall have graduated from a program in practical nursing accredited by the state in which the program was conducted.

SECTION 2. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) Of the members of the board of nursing who were appointed as currently licensed registered nurses under ch. 441 pursuant to s. 15.405 (7g), the position of the 2 such members whose terms expire the earliest following the effective date of this subsection shall be replaced by a currently certified advanced practice nurse prescriber under ch. 441 and a nurse educator after their terms expire.

SECTION 3. Effective dates. This act takes effect on the day after publication, except as follows:

(1) The treatment of s. 15.405 (7g) (by SECTION 1m) takes effect on September 1, 2026.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."